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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS		
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6,345,288 B1	02/05/2002	Reed et al.

OTHER ART – NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

Supplementary European Search Report issued November 12, 2008 in European Application number 03715596.7, 5 pages

Applicants are enclosing Form PTO-1449 (one sheet), along with a copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 CFR §1.98(a)(2). As each of the listed references is in English, no further commentary is believed to be necessary, 37 C.F.R §1.98(a)(3). Applicants respectfully request the Examiner's consideration of the above reference(s) and entry thereof into the record of this application.

Reference G2 is a Supplementary European Search Report issued in the counterpart European application. Reference G1 was cited in the Search Report.

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Respectfully submitted,

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